

## Minerals Management Service

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### OCS Connect: From Development to Implementation

The OCS Connect project is a phased, multi-year, electronic government (e-Government) transformation of MMS's Offshore Minerals Management (OMM) Program. OCS Connect was designed to increase operational efficiency, modernize and improve MMS's business process, and better serve MMS stakeholders-employees, citizens, industry, and other government agencies-through customized, secure electronic information exchange.

Key goals of OCS Connect are:

- To provide a single point of access for offshore data, and
- To make information sharing easier.

Due to its transition from development and planning to implementation and maintenance, MMS's OCS Connect system is slated for a budget reduction of \$1.394 million. It is anticipated that the reduction will not have an adverse impact on the program because it is moving out of the higher cost development stage. OCS Connect is a major program of streamlining business processes throughout MMS's Offshore Minerals Management program.



MMS manages offshore oil and gas exploration as well as renewable and alternative energy sources such as wind, wave, and solar on 1.76 billion acres of the Outer Continental Shelf while protecting the human, marine, and coastal environments. MMS also collects, accounts for, and disburses mineral revenues from Federal and American Indian lands, sharing revenues with states, American Indians and individual lease holders, and the U.S. Treasury. The revenues are also contributed to the Land and Water Conservation Fund and other special use funds. In Fiscal Year 2006, disbursements were made of approximately \$12.8 billion, totaling nearly \$164.9 billion since 1982.

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